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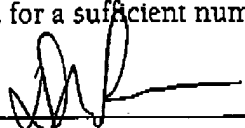
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Dear Sir:

Applicants elect Group I (claims 1 to 12) in response to the Restriction Requirement of August 20, 2004.

Applicants traverse the requirement to the extent of requesting that claims in Group II that correspond to allowable Group I claims be reinstated for allowance. An early and favorable action on the merits is requested.

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